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Remarks

Claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 10-14 were pending in this case. Claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 10-14 were rejected. Claim 1 was amended.

Claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 10-14 stand rejected under 35 USC 102(b) in view of WO 02/50017 (Paingankar). Applicants have amended Claim 1 to recite the use of from about 0.5 to about 1.5 equivalents of the compound of Formula III of ammonia solution. (See page 9, lines 5-10). The equivalents of ammonia solution taught by Paingankar fall outside the scope of Applicants' claims as currently amended. Accordingly, Paingankar does not anticipate the claimed invention and Applicants respectfully request that this rejection be withdrawn.

In view of the foregoing Applicants respectfully maintain that Claims 1, 2, 5-8 and 10-14 are in condition ready for allowance and respectfully request an early and favorable Notice of Allowance.

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